S.No.	Name of the State	2001-02**
3	Assam	354
4	Bihar	76
5	Chhattisgarh	227
6	Delhi	Nil
7	Goa	5
8	Gujarat	Nil
9	Haryana	Nil
10	Himachal Pradesh	Nil
11	Jammu & Kashmir	Nil
12	Jharkhand	34
13	Karnataka	401
14	Kerala	71
15	Madhya Pradesh	710
16	Maharashtra	238
17	Manipur	Nil
18	Meghalaya	47
19	Mizoram	28
20	Nagaland	23^
21	Orissa	173
22	Punjab	Nil
23	Rajasthan	58
24	Sikkim	NR
25	Tamil Nadu	60
26	Tripura	NR
27	Uttaranchal	251
28	Uttar Pradesh	284
29	West Bengal	349
	TOTAL:	3642

N.R. Not reported by state.
** Under compilation/vetting
*** Only for Namdapha Tiger Reserve
^ Entire State not covered.

Wildlife sanctuaries in J and K

525. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the climate of Jammu and Kashmir is suitable for rare species of wildlife;

(b) if so, whether Government would establish wildlife sanctuaries in Jammu and Kashmir for the same and attract more tourist lovers of wild life;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The declaration of an area as wildlife sanctuary falls under the domain of the concerned State Government.

FPIs Role in diversification and commercialisation of agriculture

526. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Food Processing Sector is playing a vital role in diversification and commercialisation of agriculture; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Food processing sector promotes production of processable variety of agricultural produce, makes value addition and enhances shelf-life of agricultural produce, minimizes waste, generates employment, prevents distress sale, ensures remunerative income to farmers etc.

Food Processing Policy

527. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal/draft for a Food Processing Policy, 2005;

(b) if so, the details of the proposed steps to tackle the high cost of the food processing structure like storage facility transaction costs, multiplicity of regulators and infrastructure;